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**COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
of the  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

**June 7, 2007  
Minutes**

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**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AN AUDIOCASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.**

The Community, Economic & Human Development Committee held its meeting at the Lake Arrowhead Resort & Spa in conjunction with the Regional Council's Retreat.

**Members Present**

Chastain, Kelly	SANBAG
Coerper, Gil	City of Huntington Beach
Edney, Jon ( <b>Chair</b> )	City of El Centro/IVAG
Fesmire, Melanie	CVAG
Jasper, Timothy	City of Apple Valley
Lantz, Paula	City of Pomona
Lee, Laura	Gateway Cities
Loveridge, Ronald	City of Riverside
McCallon, Larry	City of Highland
Morehouse, Carl	Ventura/VCOG
Nowatka, Paul	City of Torrance
Nunez, John H.	SGVCOG

**Members Not Present**

Barnes, Christine	City of La Palma
Bayer, Anne	Gateway Cities
Green, Cathy	OCCOG
Daigle, Leslie	OCCOG
Dubois, Diana	Gateway Cities
McCullough, Kathryn	OCCOG
McSweeney, Susan	City of Westlake
Mosca, Joseph	SGVCOG
Norby, Chris	Orange County
Olhasso, Laura	City of Arroyo Verdugo
Palmer, Jim	OCCOG
Perry, Jan	Los Angeles
Reyes, Ed	Los Angeles
Ring, Bob	OCCOG

## **Members Not Present (Continued)**

Robertson, Deborah	City of Rialto
Serrano, Joseph	Gateway Cities
Ten, Mike	SGVCOG
Tyler, Sid	SGVCOG
White, Charles	WRCOG

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Hon. Jon Edney, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM. Hon. Edney led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **2.0 ELECTION OF CEHD CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

Hon. Edney stated that nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair were submitted via email prior to the meeting. Ms. Joann Africa, Acting Legal Council, prepared voting ballots containing the names of those nominees and distributed the ballots to the members. The ballots were collected by Ms. Africa and a two minute break was taken while the votes were counted by Ms. Africa and Ms. Embry, Committee Assistant. Ms. Africa announced that Hon. Jon Edney was unanimously voted as Chair and Hon. Larry McCallon was voted as Vice-Chair.

Chair Edney thanked the Committee for their votes and continued support. He also congratulated Hon. McCallon as the new Vice-Chair and thanked Hon. Paula Lantz for her contribution as the interim Vice-Chair.

### **3.0 CALL TO ORDER RHNA APPEALS BOARD**

The Hon. Jon Edney called to order the RHNA Appeals Board and did a roll-call of the Board Members and Alternates:

Gil Coerper - Orange County  
Charles White - Riverside County (via teleconference)  
Melanie Fesmire - Riverside County (Alternate)  
Tim Jasper - San Bernardino County  
Larry McCallon - San Bernardino County (Alternate)  
Carl Morehouse - Ventura County  
Paul Nowatka - Los Angeles County  
Jon Edney - Imperial County

Hon. Edney stated that the following RHNA Appeals Board minutes require approval by the Board: April 5<sup>th</sup>, April 25<sup>th</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup>, April 27<sup>th</sup>, April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Hon. Edney requested comments from the public. There were no public comments.

Hon. Gil Coerper requested that the minutes of the April 5<sup>th</sup> Orientation Meeting be pulled and heard separately. Hon. Larry McCallon requested that the minutes of the April 26<sup>th</sup> hearing be revised to reflect his attendance.

The Hon. Charles White made a **MOTION** to **APPROVE** the minutes of April 25<sup>th</sup>, April 27<sup>th</sup>, April 30<sup>th</sup>, and May 14<sup>th</sup> as recorded, and the minutes of April 26<sup>th</sup> with the correction of Hon. McCallon's attendance. The Hon. Gil Coerper **SECONDED** the **MOTION**. **A ROLL-CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AND RECORDED AS FOLLOWS:**

Orange County – Yes  
San Bernardino County – Yes  
Ventura County – Yes  
Los Angeles County – Yes  
Riverside County – Yes  
Imperial County – Yes

Hon. Edney requested a motion to approve the minutes of April 5<sup>th</sup>. A **MOTION** was made by the Hon. Charles White to **APPROVE** the minutes of April 5<sup>th</sup>. The Hon. Tim Jasper **SECONDED** the **MOTION**. **A ROLL-CATE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND RECORDED AS FOLLOWS:**

Orange County – Abstained  
San Bernardino County – Yes  
Ventura County – Yes  
Los Angeles County – Yes  
Riverside County – Yes  
Imperial County - Yes

**4.0 ADJOURNMENT OF RHNA APPEALS BOARD**

Hon. Edney thanked the members and alternates for their dedication and hard work and adjourned the meeting of the RHNA Appeals Board.

**5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Hon. Edney reconvened the CEHD meeting and requested public comments. There were no comments.

**6.0 REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no reprioritization.

**7.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

Hon. Edney asked if there was any discussion on the Consent Calendar.

The Hon. Ron Loveridge suggested that the Legislative staff identify items of importance more concisely on the matrix. Hon. Edney suggested having a one-page summary of key bills attached to the matrix.

Don Rhodes, Manager of the Legislative staff, agreed to restructure the matrix to provide more focused information.

## **7.1 Approval Item**

### **7.1.1 Minutes of April 5, 2007**

## **7.2 Receive and File**

### **7.1.2 2007 State and Federal Legislation Matrix**

A **MOTION** was made by the Hon. John Nunez to **APPROVE** the Consent Calendar. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by the Hon. Tim Jasper and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

## **8.0 ACTION ITEMS**

### **8.1 Approval of Proposed Final RHNA**

Hon. Edney introduced Joe Carreras, Program Manager for SCAG, who presented a brief staff report summarizing the actions of the Appeals Board and stating that the proposed final RHNA was ready for CEHD action.

The decisions made by the Appeals Board resulted in revision request reductions totaling 7,851 units and approved appeals totaling 4,736 units. Only the approved appeals totals were then proportionally reallocated in the non-delegated areas administered by SCAG. The reallocation percentage applied to each community's housing need allocation was .8760. This factor represents 4,736 successfully appealed units divided by the 540,667 total units in the non-delegated areas.

Mr. Carreras went on to state that SCAG has not received any alternative distribution requests or trade and transfer requests. Communities have until July 5<sup>th</sup> to submit such requests, and they have until July 12<sup>th</sup> for approval of these requests. Mr. Carreras pointed out some minor rounding clarifications to the tables that were presented to the Committee. With these clarifications, Mr. Carreras stated that staff recommends approval of a proposed final Regional Housing Need Allocation Plan to be adopted by the Regional Council following a public hearing on July 12, 2007.

Ms. Lynn Harris, SCAG Staff, and Joann Africa, Acting Legal Counsel, read for the record letters from the Cities of Colton, Big Bear Lake, Aliso Viejo, Canyon Lake, and Irvine, wherein the cities stated their positions with respect to the RHNA allocations. Ms. Harris also read for the record a letter from Cathy Creswell, the Deputy Director of HCD. Ms. Harris stated that this letter completes the communication with HCD regarding whether or not the sovereign nation population should be included in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment. Ms. Harris summarized that according to their April 30<sup>th</sup> letter, HCD does not want SCAG to encourage cities or jurisdictions to deal with this matter in the housing element stage; but rather, and Ms. Harris quoted from their letter, "housing demand or need is not confined or constrained to a population or land

boundaries. Many tribal members choose not to reside on tribal land; it is therefore not appropriate to exclude tribal populations' housing demand and unmet need from the RHNA”.

After some discussion on the proposed final RHNA, a **MOTION** was made by the Hon. Tim Jasper to **APPROVE** the proposed final **RHNA** and recommend that the Regional Council adopt it. The **MOTION** was **SECONDED** by the Hon. John Nunez and **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**.

## **9.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **9.1 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Housing Summit Recap**

Joe Carreras, Program manager, stated that the housing summit was a huge success. There were over 260 attendees. Mr. Carreras said that President Ovitt presided over the welcome and Compass awards ceremony and was magnificent in his representation of the agency. The event was moderated by the Hon. Jon Edney. Mr. Carreras stated that the dialogue was very positive and SCAG had major funding contributions provided by the California Association of Realtors, the Building Industry, and Bank of America. Mr. Carreras stated that materials and an attendance roster will be posted on SCAG's website.

## **10.0 CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Hon. Jon Edney thanked the Committee again for all their hard work and support during the past year.

## **11.0 STAFF REPORT**

Ms. Africa reported that SCAG was served with a pleading from the City of La Mirada, as a result of their appeal at the RHNA hearings.

Ms. Harris stated that due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, the RC and Policy Committees will hold their next meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup>. She pointed out that also on July 12<sup>th</sup> there is a scheduled public hearing for the adoption of the proposed final RHNA plan. Ms. Harris encouraged all Regional Council members to attend because a quorum is needed for the final adoption.

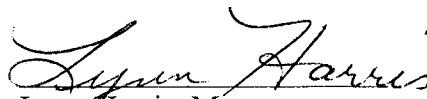
## **12.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Hon. Gil Coerper requested a discussion on the Policy Committee member stipends.

## **13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The Hon. Jon Edney adjourned the meeting at 11:30 AM.

Minutes Approved By:

  
Lynn Harris, Manager  
Community Development